

ABSTRACT

A lattice forming machine is disclosed for forming lattice from first and second lattice sections (12, 14) which are 5 joined together by a pin (20) having first and second pin sections (28, 30) and a mid-section (22). The machine includes an indexing mechanism (66) for indexing a lattice section passed a pin insertion mechanism (90) for inserting the pins into one of the lattice sections. A 10 jig (160) is provided for receiving the lattice sections with the pins, and for enabling second lattice sections to be loaded onto the lattice sections with the pins, and a roller assembly (170) is provided for receiving the jig so as to cause the lattice sections to be pressed together to 15 force the pins into the second lattice sections to form the lattice.